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In re Application of)

Examiner: Gary W. COUNTS)

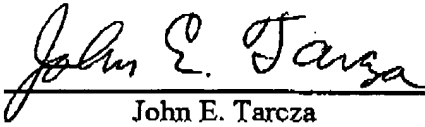
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Serial No.: 09/921,004)

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For: QUANTIFICATION OF LOW)
MOLECULAR WEIGHT AND)
LOW ABUNDANCE)
John E. Tarcza
Reg. No. 33,638**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.111**Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Date: April 16, 2004

Dear Sir:

In response to the Rejection mailed December 16, 2003, wherein the Examiner set a three-month period for response, a one-month extension of time is filed herewith making this response timely filed.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.